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In the February-March issue of SAUCER NEWS we discussed briefly "The Brotherhood of the Seven Rays". This is a metaphysical organization presently located in Moyobamba, Peru, and headed by George Williamson - former editor of "The Telonic Research Bulletin" and former close associate of George Adamski. We now have further highly confidential information on Williamson's Peruvian colony. The following is condensed from letters sent to us by several correspondents who wish to remain anonymous:

Last October, Williamson very quietly placed the following ad in the Los Angeles Times: "EXPEDITION now forming to locate lost worlds in South America, specific locations known. Those interested financially or otherwise. Box 1654, Prescott, Arizona." This address is the post office box of Williamson's now defunct Telonic Research Center. Williamson was unable to raise enough money through this ad for an archeological expedition, so he changed his tactics. He obtained the support of Dr. and Mrs. Laughead and Dorothy Martin, the threesome who are still notorious for their unfulfilled predictions, from "space brethren", that the world would be shaken by earthquakes, tidal waves and volcanic eruptions on December 22, 1954. Williamson persuaded the Laugheads to direct all their worldly assets to the Peruvian project. Since then, tracts sent out by the organization have taken a spiritual or metaphysical turn - flavored, however, with a generous helping of warnings of future disasters in store for the United States, in order to persuade more people to take themselves and their money to Peru. According to one of our informants, Williamson wants to "scare people to death", in order to encourage them to join the Peruvian colony.

Strangely enough, there has been a major earthquake in Peru since this group's arrival there, but there have been no natural disasters in the United States - much to Williamson's disappointment, no doubt. We are told that as time goes by, the "scare" element in the tracts written by Williamson and Dorothy Martin, is being increased. Unsuspecting people are being urged to give up everything in order to join this "spiritual brotherhood" in a primitive far-distant land. The colony's admittedly anti-Catholic bias makes its position even more shaky in a strongly Catholic country. We can understand Miss Martin's reasons for wanting to get as far as possible away from her home town of Chicago, where she is wanted for a sanity hearing; but we cannot understand why the other members of the colony have felt it necessary to go so far in order to "get away from it all".

In addition to Mr. and Mrs. Williamson, Dr. and Mrs. Laughead, and Dorothy Martin, the Peruvian colony at present also includes John McCoy and John and Ray Stanford of Corpus Christi, Texas. The Stanford brothers claim to have had a number of space contacts in Texas, the first of which was written up in the May, 1956 issue of FATE Magazine. Recently they published their adventures in a book, of which they for some reason printed a limited edition of only 500 copies. Due to real or fancied persecutions they suffered at the hands of the "International Bankers" in the United States, McCoy and the Stanfords went to Peru; but the latest word from them is that "the Brothers" now feel they should return to the States as soon as possible. They presumably will do so, if they can get together enough money! The boys are only teen-agers, and their parents are understandably worried about their trek to South America.

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The most surprising and shocking thing of all is that Gray Barker, editor of the "Saucerian", is giving support and encouragement to Williamson's Peruvian scheme. Either he, too, has been taken in by this nonsense, or else, like Williamson, he is interested in the financial benefit that can be derived from this Peruvian venture at the expense of others! We will inform our Newsletter readers still further on this subject, just as soon as further information reaches us.

NOTES IN CLARIFICATION OF NEWSLETTER #3: We are in receipt of a long letter from John Otto concerning our statements about him in our last Newsletter. We do not have space here to reproduce his letter in full, but this is the essence of what he says: Although he does not deny the specific facts we published concerning Mildred Maier's alleged tape recording from outer space, he nevertheless feels that he has not commercialized on the tape, in that he has received no financial profit or benefit directly from the use of the tape on radio, T.V., etc. He goes on to say that the life of a saucer lecturer, such as himself, is not a very lucrative one financially. We believe that Mr. Otto's point is well taken, and we apologize insofar as we said or implied that he benefited financially from use of the tape. However, Miss Maier's facts still appear to have been correct.

One further point: We now understand that Frank Edwards has not resigned from NICAP, contrary to our statement in Newsletter #3.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE: The terms under which you subscribed to the Newsletter were that you would be placed on the mailing list for an indefinite period for the price of one dollar. Those of you who subscribed in time to receive the first Newsletter, in December 1955, have now received four issues. We feel that we must now ask our subscribers for an additional dollar if they wish to remain on the Newsletter mailing list. We realize that this is a bit unfair to those of you who subscribed to the Newsletter only recently, and who may be receiving this as their first issue. However, in order to avoid prohibitive bookkeeping problems, we must now ask all subscribers for this additional dollar. Also, from now on the Newsletter will only be sent to people who are either (1) current paid subscribers to SAUCER NEWS, or (2) honorary members of the Saucer and Unexplained Celestial Events Research Society. (Note: Many of you have already sent in a total of two dollars for the Newsletter without being asked. If you have already sent in two dollars, you owe nothing further.)

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